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Title : Method of Synchronous Serial Communication and System  
for Synchronous Serial Communication

AMENDMENT

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The following amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted in response to the Office Action dated March 29, 2005.

**Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 15 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Drawings** begin on page 25 of this paper and include attached replacement sheets.

**Amendments to the Abstract** begin on page 26 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 27 of this paper.

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Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27

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## Complete if Known

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## FEES CALCULATION

### 1. BASIC FILING, SEARCH, AND EXAMINATION FEES

Application Type	FILING FEES		SEARCH FEES		EXAMINATION FEES	
	Fee (\$)	Small Entity	Fee (\$)	Small Entity	Fee (\$)	Small Entity
Utility	300	150	500	250	200	100
Design	200	100	100	50	130	65
Plant	200	100	300	150	160	80
Reissue	300	150	500	250	600	300
Provisional	200	100	0	0	0	0

### 2. EXCESS CLAIM FEES

Fee Description	Small Entity
Each claim over 20 or, for Reissues, each claim over 20 and more than in the original patent	50 25
Each independent claim over 3 or, for Reissues, each independent claim more than in the original patent	200 100
Multiple dependent claims	360 180

Total Claims	Extra claims	Fees(\$)	Fee Paid (\$)	Multiple Dependence Claims	Fee(\$)	Fee Paid (\$)
25	-20 or HP	5	x 50 = 250			
HP = highest number of total claims paid for, if greater than 20						
Indep. Claims	Extra claims	Fees(\$)	Fee Paid (\$)			
5	-3 or HP	0	x 0 =			
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### 4. OTHER FEES

Non-English Specification, \$130 fee (no small entity discount)	Fee Paid (\$)
Other: Three Month Petition for Extension of Time Information Disclosure Statement fee	1,020 180

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